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Art Unit: 2624
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- ☐ An Amendment After Final Action (37 CFR 1.116) is attached and applicant(s) request expedited action.
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- ☐ Applicant(s) claim small entity status (37 CFR 1.27).

ATTACHMENTS

- ☐ Preliminary Amendment
- ☐ Amendment/Response with respect to Office Action
- ☐ Amendment/Response After Final Action (37 CFR 1.116) (reminder: consider filing a Notice of Appeal)
- ☐ Notice of Appeal
- ☐ RCE (Request for Continued Examination)
- ☐ Supplemental Declaration
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- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
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- ☐ Petition for Extension of Time
- ☐ Fee Transmittal Document (that includes a fee calculation based on the type and number of claims)
- ☐ Cross-Reference to Related Application(s)
- ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document
- ☒ Other: Response to Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (37 CFR 1.121) – 10 pages
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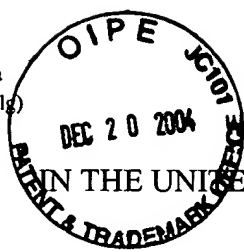
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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT (37 CFR 1.121)

Sir:

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed November 29, 2004,
Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to enter the following corrected section of the
amendment to the claims: